Remarks

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested. Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1-17 are pending in the application, with claims 1, 7 and 12 being the independent claims. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all outstanding rejections.

Claim Rejections

Claims 7-9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,650,902 to Richton ("Richton").

Claims 1-4 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,122,520 to Want et al. ("Want") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,625,457 to Raith ("Raith").

Claims 5 and 6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Want in view of Raith, and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,456,852 to Bar et al. ("Bar").

Claim 10 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Richton.

Claim 11 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Richton in view of Want.

Claims 12, 13 and 17 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Raith.

Claims 14-16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Raith in view of Want.

Independent Claim 1 and its Dependent Claims are Allowable

Independent claim 1 has been amended to recite a method including a "database including information associated with a potential real estate transaction within at least some of

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the plurality of the locations within the base grid." None of the cited references, alone or in

combination, disclose or teach such a method. Specifically, the cited references do not teach or

disclose a database including information associated with potential real estate transactions (e.g.,

sale, lease, etc.) at locations within the database.

Accordingly, the Applicants submit that at least for this reason claim 1 as amended is

allowable. Based at least upon their dependence from claim 1, claims 2-6 are also allowable.

Independent Claim 7 and its Dependent Claims are Allowable

Independent claim 7 has been amended to recite a computer readable software code

including code for "receiving location-centric information from said information system, the

location-centric information being related to a potential real estate transaction within the

geographic location." None of the cited references disclose or teach of such code. For similar

reasons as stated above for claim 1, claim 7 is also allowable.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that at least for this reason, claim 7 is

allowable. Based at least upon their dependence from claim 7, claims 8-11 are also allowable.

Independent Claim 12 and its Dependent Claims are Allowable

Independent claim 12 recites a database including "the database being configured to

output information associated with a potential real estate transaction at a location in a base grid

to an electronic device." For similar reasons as stated above for claims 1 and 7, claim 12 is also

allowable.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that at least for this reason, claim 12 is

allowable. Based at least upon their dependence from claim 12, claims 13-17 are also allowable.

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Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of rejection in the Office Action have been properly traversed or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all outstanding rejections. Applicants believe that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that further personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

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